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Title: MECHANISM FOR IMPROVING THE
STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY OF LOW-K FILMS

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| BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a)) | | | | | |
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